

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1907.

Books for children.

ALGER BOOKS for boys—more than 52 different titles, all cloth bound. Choice..... **15c**

HENTY BOOKS for boys—more than 42 different titles, all cloth bound. Choice..... **15c**

GUNBOAT SERIES, by Harry Castleman, copyrighted, 10 books to the set, and the 11th set complete for..... **\$1.50**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S HISTORY OF THE WORLD, large volume, bound in silk-ribbed cloth, fancy cover design. Published to sell for \$1.50. Our price..... **50c**

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BILL NEE'S COMIC HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES, illustrated by F. Opper; a \$2.00 edition, for..... **59c**

BILL NEE'S COMIC HISTORY OF ENGLAND, illustrated. Published to sell for \$2.00. Our price..... **59c**

TEDDY BEARS PAINT BOOKS, very entertaining work..... **25c**

CRAYONS FOR BOYS, a box of **BILL NEE'S RED BOOKS**, full of wit and humor, illustrated. Published to sell for \$1.50. Our price..... **59c**

ROOSEVELT BEAR BOOK, by Seymour Eaton; very amusing; cloth-bound edition and profusely illustrated. Only..... **\$1.10**

OSMA OF OZ, by Frank Baum. Every child should have this. Our special price..... **90c**

A DEFECTIVE SANTA CLAUS, by James Whitcomb Riley. Published to sell for 50c. Our special price..... **48c**

THE BIRD'S CHRISTMAS CAROL, by Kate Douglas Wiggin. Our price..... **39c**

BELASCO FAIRY TALES, compiled by David Belasco and Charles A. Byrne; nicely bound in cloth. Published to sell for \$1.50. Our special price..... **38c**

AT THE BIG HOUSE—a book for young folks, by Annie Virginia Cushman. Published to sell for \$1.08. Our special price..... **48c**

DIDDLE DUMPS AND TOT—telling of a child's life on the plantation; bound in cloth. Published to sell for 75c. Our special price..... **49c**

THE SPEAKER'S LIBRARY—full of recitations for the whole year. Published to sell for \$1.25. Our special price is..... **59c**

THE NEW SELECT PRIMER—a book of sayings for young folks, as well as old; illustrated with fine engravings. Special, 4 copy..... **59c**

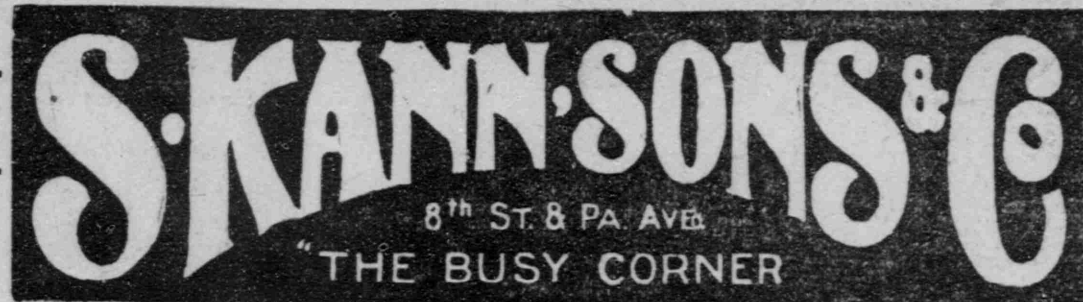
KING ARTHUR AND HIS KNIGHTS, nice life bound in cloth and illustrated. Published to sell for \$1.25. Our special price is..... **75c**

MAISE AND HER LITTLE DOG SNIP. The book tells of the adventures of Maise and Snip, who went to seek the fairies. Published by Harper Bros. 40 sell at \$1.20. Our special price..... **49c**

HANS BRINKER, OR THE SILVER SKATES; a story of life in Holland; by Mary Mapes Dodge; cloth bound; two editions; at 25c and..... **49c**

First Floor—Busy Book Store.

ONLY 8 MORE BUYING DAYS BEFORE XMAS.



Many are buying these for gifts
59c JAPANESE SILKS
at 29c yd.

Beautiful texture—so pretty, in fact, that you will marvel at the fact of the price—29c a yard. The maker discontinued its manufacture because he could not afford to sell it at a price so it could retail at 50c or 59c a yard on account of the big increase in price of raw silk.

We got all he had.
It'll go into many homes as Christmas gifts.
Every yard will launder and retain its luster.
Every yard is perfect.
It is three-quarters pure Jap. silk, with one-quarter linen flax to give it the desired body and firmness.

Choice of self dots or striped jacquard figured effects.
Good assortment of colors—black and white, too.
It makes up into real dainty evening frocks.
Dress or waist lengths will be boxed for presentation if desired. First Floor—Bargain Tables.

The best suit bargain of 1907.
\$25 and \$30 suits for \$19.75.

Not a suit in the lot should be ticketed at less than \$25.00, and were we not anxious to keep our force of salespeople in this section busy during the Christmas holiday trade, when ordinarily women think more of other folks' needs than their own, regular prices would prevail.

Suits made of broadcloth, herringbone serge, and fancy striped and checked worsteds in styles that have proved very popular with stylish dressers.

By way of suggestion, if you intend presenting your mother or sister with a new suit, this would be a grand chance to secure the gift with least outlay.

We have now all sizes in one or the other styles, but if choice is delayed after Monday, we may not be able to fit every one.
Choice Monday of these very fashionable suits at \$19.75.

Second Floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

From our art section come these gift thoughts.

If you are in doubt what to give, take a walk through our Art Section, and suggestions will follow quickly.

PILLOWS of silk floss, in tapestry pillow slip, with tassels on each end. All complete for..... **99c**

18-INCH LINEN DOLLIES, with deep Renaissance lace edge; only..... **25c**

FILLET NET BUREAU SCARFS, 18 by 54 inches; effective patterns; in flowered and figured designs; only..... **75c**

TABLE COVERS OR SHAMS, embroidered, 30-in. size, only..... **59c**

PIN CUSHIONS, with fancy lace trimming; very dainty, and priced for..... **25c, 50c, to \$1.50.**

CUBE PIN CUSHIONS of fancy satin, at choice..... **50c**

FANCY COLLAR, CUFF AND HANDKERCHIEF BOXES with embossed picture on top. Choice..... **25c**

First Floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

A \$2 Kid-body 22-in. Doll, \$1.

A big leader in Undressed Dolls! We have about 100 to sell at this special price.
These dolls as stated are 22 inches tall; kid bodies; double-jointed; long hair; moving eyes; fitted with shoes and stockings; kid arms with bisque hands.
A doll so good as this should sell for \$2.00. It's a chance to save a dollar.

Buy one or two Monday, and start to work fitting dolly out with new clothes to give to some child Christmas morn!
Fourth floor—Toys and Dolls.

Candies for Christmas.

CHOCOLATE CREAMS, heavy coating, with rich cream filling in fourteen different flavors, at a pound..... **35c**

BONBONS—Twenty different kinds, including many kinds topped with nuts, at a pound..... **25c**

CHOCOLATE CREAMS AND BONBONS—20 different kinds of unusual goodness, at a pound..... **25c**

TWENTY DISTINCT kinds of Cream Candies and Bon-Bons, at the extremely low price of a pound..... **12c**

On all kinds we will make a special discount in lots of 25 pounds or more, and in addition furnish FREE, 1/2-pound boxes, handsomely and appropriately decorated, to contain the quantity ordered.

Fur cloths, \$2.48 yd.

Values, \$5.50, \$6, \$7, and \$7.50.

We recently made a very advantageous purchase of Fur Cloths, and these have just arrived and will go on sale to-morrow. These, put side by side with the genuine furs, will be found to compare very favorably. Wouldn't mother, wife, or sister like enough of this Fur Cloth to make a Fur Jacket? It's your duty to provide the necessary money for such a purpose. Included are—

Russian Pony Skin...Belgian Pony Skin...Caracul.
Broadtail...Chinchilla...Baby Lamb.
Coltskin...Bearskin.

Two yards for a short street coat, at \$2.48 a yard, will cost but \$4.96.
Three yards for a long coat, at \$2.48 a yard, will cost but \$7.44.

Sufficient quantity for making a throw tie, muff, or for trimming purposes will cost almost nothing. First floor—Silk Section.

Solid gold rings and other jewelry

A Signet Ring is a gift "he" will appreciate; and then there are rings for the baby, for the sister, mother, and "sweetheart" in the list, and they are all first class. Our prices less than elsewhere.

SOLID GOLD Rings, set with opals, sapphires, and rubies, and five other styles, each..... **\$1.98**

SOLID GOLD Signet Rings, in 6 styles, each..... **\$3.49**

SOLID GOLD Signet Rings, in 10 styles, each..... **\$1.98**

SOLID GOLD Ring, set with five turquoise stones; regularly \$2.98. Special..... **\$1.98**

SOLID GOLD Ring, 18-k. signet, and with stone sets, 50c your choice..... **50c**

Jewelry—First floor.

SOLID GOLD Signet Rings, women's sizes, assorted styles, each..... **98c**

SOLID GOLD Scarf Pins, signet style, plain or beaded edge, each..... **98c**

SOLID GOLD Rope Neck Chains, 13 inches long; regular price \$2.98. Special, each..... **\$2.98**

SOLID GOLD Cuff Pins, assorted patterns, each..... **98c**

SOLID GOLD Cuff Links, plain or beaded edge, per pair..... **\$1.49**

WOOL FABRICS.

Dress patterns boxed.

Be practical in your gift-giving to the members of your family. Any of the women folks will like a dress pattern, and we've made a specialty of these for Monday.

Broadcloth, all shades, 52 inches wide; 7-yard dress pattern. Boxed for..... **\$6.00**

Novelty Suitings; 8 yards of 36-inch fabrics; dress pattern. Boxed for..... **\$2.32**

Storm Serge, all colors; 8 yards of 36-inch fabric. Nicely boxed..... **\$3.92**

BLACK BROADCLOTH, sponged and shrunk and "ready for the needle"; \$2.25 quality; 4 yards to sell Monday, a yard..... **\$1.75**

CLOAKINGS in gray mixtures; 54 inches wide, and regular \$2 a yard quality; Monday only, a 59c yard..... **59c**

First floor—Dress Goods Arcade.

SILKS AS GIFTS.

Waist or dress patterns boxed.

Just as nice a gift as you can think of—

COLORS PONGEES, 27 inches wide and each box contains 3 1/2 yds; black or white, as well as colors, as colors. The pattern for only..... **\$1.39**

SATIN MESSALINES and Taffetas, street and evening colors; also black or white; 4 yds to each pattern, for..... **\$2.20**

NOVELTY AND PLAIN SILKS, in many patterns and colors; 4 yards to each pattern..... **\$2.36**

PRINTED CREPE DE CHINES, for neck scarfs, in Persian and ombre designs, on wide grounds, with blue or pink figures, 2 yards in each box and 150 offered..... **\$1.50**

SPOT AND WATER-PROOF FORTS, new designs, that are shown now for the first time, and plenty of black-and-white or blue-and-white data,..... **59c, 79c, 89c a yard.**

First floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

HOUSE OF MERCY BENEFIT

Society Women to Occupy Boxes at New National Theater.

Proceeds of Ticket Sale for "Rogers Brothers in Panama" to Go to Maintenance Fund.

Proceeds of the sale of tickets for the performance of "Rogers Brothers in Panama" at the New National Theater to-morrow night will be turned over to the maintenance fund for the House of Mercy. Among well-known society women who will occupy boxes will be Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins, Mrs. Duncan McKim, Mrs. Silas Casey, Mrs. Charles Henry Butler, Mrs. George D. Mays, Mrs. M. de Portes, and Mrs. Julian James.

Under the present board of lady managers the House of Mercy has been in a sound financial condition, and there is no debt on the valuable property belonging to the institution, but the endowment fund is so small that it is dependent wholly upon charity. The contributions of late have not been sufficient to cover the expenses of the home, but it is thought sufficient will be derived from the entertainment to-morrow night to keep the coffers of the institution in a healthy condition for some time.

The House of Mercy was started by the wives of officers in the army and navy nearly a quarter of a century ago, as a home for fallen women. Since the twentieth century began it has been under the supervision of Deaconess Yoe, of the Episcopal Church, but the work has increased to such an extent that it was necessary to install Deaconess Knapper as an assistant. The board of lady managers have raised funds for the support of an institution where young mothers who have been led astray are cared for, with their infants, which is said to be the only home of its kind south of the Mason and Dixon line.

The House of Mercy, true to its name, endeavors not only to rescue women from a life of shame, but also develops the maternal instincts in the hearts of young mothers. Conducted on these lines its success has far outstripped all expectations.

The board of patronesses of the House of Mercy is composed of:

Mrs. James Julian James, president; John M. Bidwell, A. M. Blair, Edson Bradley, John C. Boyd, Joseph H. Bradley, Henry B. Brown, Charles Henry Butler, W. H. Carr, Chas. S. Casey, Elkins,

ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Officers Chosen by Royal Arcanum Lodge Tuesday Night.

The District Council of the Royal Arcanum held its annual meeting Tuesday night last at Schmidt's Hall, and elected the following corps of officers for the year: Regent, G. P. Conn; vice regent, J. E. Eckloff; orator, Arthur E. Wells; secretary, Alston M. Peyton (re-elected, ninth term); sitting past regent, C. B. Welsh; collector, Claude R. Zappone; treasurer, C. A. Bell (re-elected); chaplain, J. E. Hollin, guide, H. C. Weeks; warden, C. A. Edelin; sentry, A. R. Ringwalt (re-elected); representatives to Grand Council, C. B. Welsh and H. O. Cook; alternates, G. A. Weber and J. B. Morton; trustees, G. A. Weber, A. R. Ringwalt, and J. B. Morton; representatives to Royal Arcanum Hospital Bed Fund Association, H. O. Cook.

The annual meeting of District Council was read by its secretary, giving in detail the work accomplished during the year.

The increase committee provided a literary and musical programme, and served refreshments.

GRAND ARMY POST OFFICERS.

John G. Maynard Named Commander of Garfield Post.

James A. Garfield Post, No. 7, Grand Army of the Republic, at its last meeting, elected officers for the year 1908, as follows:

John G. Maynard, commander; Roberts Harleston, senior vice commander; Augustus Ridgely, junior vice commander; Louis J. Melchior, quartermaster; Thomas Calver, surgeon; James H. Bradford, chaplain; John Connolly, officer of the day; Clarence H. Cornell, officer of the guard; Philip Weber, outside sentinel.

Department committees: Rev. James H. Bradford, member board of managers; Louis J. Melchior, member board of managers; temporary home; Thomas Calver, memorial committee; Augustus Ridgely, relief committee; H. L. Johnson, William M. Potter, E. A. Fenton, James L. Davy, and A. H. Frear, delegates to department encampment; and Charles L. Patten, William H. Decker, Charles E. Hartung, John Connolly, and John M. Young, alternates.

SOCIETY IN NEED OF FUNDS

Associated Charities Had Deficit at Close of Flower Show.

Prof. Janney Re-elected Chairman of Board of Managers—Subscriptions Are Needed.

For the first time representatives elected by division conferences of the Associated Charities took part as members in the meeting of the general board of managers Tuesday last. The representatives reported concerning the difficult cases which they are called upon to serve, and told of efforts to secure the regular attendance of local clergymen, school representatives, social settlement workers, and others interested in the relief of needy families.

The work of enlisting and directing volunteer friendly visitors was also discussed. The Georgetown division was represented by Rev. William C. Alexander, the Southwest by Thomas K. Gallagher, the Northeast by Mrs. Henry C. Adams, the Southeast by Louis F. Zinkhan, the Northern by G. A. Weber, and the Eastern by Dr. Willard S. Small.

Other board members present were Justice David J. Brewer, Prof. B. T. Janney, who presided at the meeting; Dr. George M. Kober, Miss Florence P. Spofford, G. S. Wilson, Frederic L. Moore, Judge William H. De Lucy, and Dr. W. C. Rives, a newly-elected member. Secretary Charles P. Walker was also present.

Prof. Barnard T. Janney was re-elected chairman of the board of managers. The treasurer's report, submitted by John Joy Edson, showed a balance on hand December 1 of only \$418. Methods of raising funds for the season were discussed. It was decided to send out the annual report this week with the first regular appeal for the renewal of subscriptions formerly given and the enlistment of new contributors. The opinion was expressed that gifts will be greater this year than ever before, and that this emergency will call for extra sacrifices on the part of every citizen able to spare a dollar for the relief of distressed families.

From the recent flower show, which was expected to yield a neat sum, a report was made by the Florists' Club showing a deficit instead of a profit. The receipts of the show were \$428.75; the expenditures \$677.45, which does not include

ROYAL ARCANUM'S WORK.

National Council Holds Annual Election of Officers.

National Council, No. 52, Royal Arcanum, held its annual meeting Monday night last and elected the following officers for the year: Regent, Edwin Kirby Harris, Jr.; vice regent, Guy F. Allen; orator, George M. Evans; sitting past regent, N. Z. Mell; secretary, Edward B. Eynon, Jr. (re-elected, sixth term); collector, J. W. Harsha (re-elected, twenty-eighth term); treasurer, John L. Beatie; chaplain, George M. Myers; guide, Joseph D. Free (re-elected, sixth term); warden, Walter I. Villepique; sentry, Cleveland McGee; coats, organist, Horace G. Selzer; trustees, M. Bartow Mercer, George B. Farquhar, and Robert Grogg; representatives to Grand Council, N. Z. Mell and M. Bartow Mercer; alternates, Robert Grogg and Benjamin Franklin; representative to Royal Arcanum Hospital Bed Fund Association, George L. Lohrer.

The annual report of National Council shows a steady and consistent growth. Among the deaths recorded in the year was that of Samuel W. Stinemetz, who had been a member of National Council for twenty-five years.

ANNUAL ELECTION IS HELD.

Readers' Club Holds Business Meeting with Miss Pechin.

A recent business meeting of the Readers' Club, which includes some of the leading eleventhists of the city and vicinity, was held at the home of Miss Isabel Pechin, and the annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, Charles S. Richardson; vice president, Miss Grace Ross; recording secretary, Miss Bertha Frances Wolfe; corresponding secretary, Miss Linda Burke; treasurer, Mr. Fred Barbour.

The new president made a short speech, and plans for the year's work and the interests of the club were discussed, after which the hostess served refreshments.

WILL HONOR MAJ. GEN. THOMAS

Burnside Post to Hold Celebration This Evening.

Rev. Dr. Couden to Offer Invocation. Gen. Black to Make an Address.

Members of Burnside Post, No. 8, Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., will give a celebration in honor of Maj. Gen. George H. Thomas to-morrow night at Metropolitan M. E. Church, at which many prominent men of this city and large delegations from the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, the Army of the Tennessee, and other patriotic societies are expected to be present.

The celebration will be opened by an invocation by Rev. H. N. Couden, chaplain of the House of Representatives. Addresses will be made by Rev. C. W. Gallagher, chaplain of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., and Gen. John C. Black, president of the Civil Service Commission, and past commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. Rev. Dr. Woodrow, pastor of the First Congregational Church, will pronounce the benediction. Metropolitan Church quartet will sing patriotic hymns.

The committee of arrangements is composed of A. S. Perham, chairman; C. W. Gallagher, vice chairman; George C. Potvin, secretary; George Newton, post commander; J. W. Andrews, Van H. Bukey, Amos Hadley, H. E. Moulton, Henry Combs, Nathan Blackford, William Emerson, R. W. Medkirk, William H. Ragan, A. C. Unkefer, and Chris. Storm.

At the last regular meeting of Burnside Post the following were elected officers for the year of 1908: Commander, H. L. Deam; senior vice commander, William Emerson; junior vice commander, M. L. Leonard; quartermaster, George T. Carter; surgeon, George H. La Petra; chaplain, C. W. Gallagher, D. D.; officer of the day, E. B. Grogg; officer of the guard, J. H. Blodgett.

Gift from Lord Bishop of London.

Mrs. Marcus J. Wright, of 1743 Corcoran street, has received a gift from the Lord Bishop of London a photograph of the tomb of her immediate ancestor, Lawrence Womack, Bishop of Suffolk and St. David's, who was buried in St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, London, in 1655.

HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING.

Committee on Prevention of Consumption Transacts Business.

A special meeting of the Committee on Prevention of Consumption was held Monday night last at headquarters.

Those present were Dr. William C. Gwynn, Rabbi Louis Stern, George S. Wilson, Miss Isabel L. Strong, Miss Freda Braun, Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., Dr. George W. N. Custin, Gen. George M. Sternberg, Dr. Peter Freeman, Dr. D. E. Wernberg, Dr. George M. Kober, Dr. James D. Morgan, Dr. Aubrey H. Staples, Dr. M. J. Rosenau, Dr. J. H. Bryan, Dr. William C. Rives, Dr. Ernest C. Schroeder, Gen. William H. Forwood, Max Cohen, Dr. D. E. Buckingham, William F. Downey, Dr. D. Olin Leech, Dr. Louis J. Battle, Dr. William C. Woodward, Charles F. Weller, and Miss Eugenia M. Bray.

The resignation of Dr. D. Percy Hickling as chairman of the committee was accepted, with expressions of appreciation for his efficient service. Gen. George M. Sternberg was elected to the office of chairman to fill Dr. Hickling's place, and William H. Baldwin was made vice chairman.

The question of the exhibit which is being established at the committee office was discussed. Several new models of apparatus have recently been obtained and arrangements made for a complete pathological exhibit, illustrating the effects of consumption on human lungs and also on domestic animals.

Miss Mabel Boardman was elected as a member of the general committee.

NEW CARRIER TABLES.

Sunday and Holiday Mail Delivery System Changed.

Beginning this morning, the practice of delivering mail on Sundays and holidays through the carrier windows at the main office of the city post-office will be discontinued. New carrier tables, devised to save time and labor, have been installed, and coincidentally therewith a new plan has been adopted for the Sunday and holiday service.

During the usual hours, which, on Sunday morning, are from 9:30 to 11 o'clock, the public will be admitted to the carrier section of the delivery division by way of the door at the northwest corner of the mailing floor, and will go direct to the carriers' desks, where the carriers will be stationed to deliver to them any mail on hand. Guides will be placed at proper points to direct individuals to the right desks.

PLEASANT DAY AT THE Y. M. C. A.

"A Wireless Message" Subject for Afternoon Discourse.

Employees of the Navy Yard Will Be Entertained to-morrow Night.

"A Wireless Message" is the subject on which Rev. George E. Whitehouse, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, will speak this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, in the gymnasium hall of the Young Men's Christian Association Building, at the regular Sunday afternoon meeting for men. The Washington Concert Orchestra will play in the lobby at 3 o'clock.

While the men's meeting is in progress in the main building, the older boys of the association will be addressed in the Assembly Hall of the Boys' Building by Mr. Edward W. Hearn, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Washington. His subject will be "Conquerors," and as these meetings are very popular among the boys, a large attendance is expected.

The Gymnasium Men's Study Club, recently organized for the purpose of discussing questions of vital importance to men of to-day, will meet in the assistant physical director's office at 5 o'clock. Mr. Frank G. Campbell, formerly of Columbus, Ohio, will preside.

To-morrow night in Assembly Hall the Young Men's Christian Association will entertain the employees of the navy yard at a social, the first of its kind ever held in this city, at the Y. M. C. A. The entertainment is to be furnished for the most part by the talent of the different shops at the navy yard.

Although the programme for the evening has not been entirely completed, it is expected that the west gun carriage shop will be represented by a comedian, the erecting shop by a soloist, the miscellaneous work shop by a story teller, the pattern shop by a violinist, the east gun carriage shop by a former theatrical performer, and a street repair shop by Mr. John Schettlin, comedian. In addition to the talent from the various shops, Mr. William Lindsay, a professional entertainer, with musical instruments, will be present. At the close of the entertainment, refreshments will be served.

Dr. White, superintendent of the Emergency Hospital, will speak on "Methods of Resuscitation and Moving the Injured" at the fifth lecture of the First Aid Course, to-morrow night at 8 o'clock in the Gymnasium Hall.